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Applicant : Kauschke, et al.

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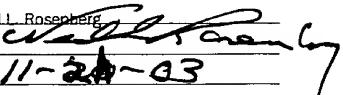
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In response to the Office Action dated September 17, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amend the claims as noted in the Listing of Claims beginning on page 2.

The Remarks begin on page 9.

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